Fuel Supply from Forests (Advances to Contractors)

Q.—608. Sri B. HUTCHE GOWDA (Turuvekere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether money is advanced to contractors by the Forest Department for supplying fuel and timber ;

(*b*) the total amount given as advance by the Department up to 1st April 1954 (districtwise information to be given) ;

(*c*) out of this, the amount advanced prior to the last three years and the reason for not recovering the same till now ;

(*d*) whether any action has been taken against the concerned officers in respect of such non-recoveries ;

(*e*) if so, their names ; the amount advanced by each which are remaining over three years without recovery?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 29,21,094-2-1.

(please see statement appended).

(*c*) Rs. 82,448-12-3

Reasons for the non-recovery are :—

1. Some of the advancees have died leaving no property to proceed against.
2. Wherever practicable action has been taken to file suits against defaulting contractors which are pending in various stages.
3. Some of the advancees have absconded and their whereaboust are not known.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Sriyuts—

		Rs.	a.	p.
1.	J. P. Mascarenhas	56,432	5	3
2.	D. Nanjundappa	2,923	15	0
3.	D. A. Rama Rao	4,226	5	0
4.	B. P. Ramakrishna	252	15	0
	Total...	63,835	8	3

APPENDIX

STATEMENT I.

	Name of Division	*Total Advance during 1953-54.*		
		R.	a.	p.
1	Shimoga Division	4,44,235	3	9
2	Bhadravati Division	3,72,007	11	6
3	Sagar ,, ...	2,39,377	12	7
4	Chickmagalur Division	95,987	2	3
5	Chitaldrug ,, ...	24,532	9	0
6	Hassan ,, ...	29,376	4	6
7	Bellary ,, ...	15,025	2	0
8	Mysore ,, ...	5,48,563	11	6
9	Bangalore ,, ...	1,53,817	7	0
10	Tumkur ,, ...	46,610	6	9
11	Kolar ,, ...	53,412	15	0
12	Fuel Supply Division, Bhadravati	8,86,696	1	0
13	Central Sylvicultural R. S., Bangalore ...	8,774	11	3
14	Working Plans and Forest Surveys Division ...	2,175	0	0
15	Forest Research School, Bangalore ...	502	0	0
	Total ...	29,21,094	2	1